CHICAGO, ILL., April 24.—Further tended to become an actor. Mrs. particulars of the attempted assassin- Abeling, with whom Gray boarded, ation of Edwin Booth at McVicker's and Mrs. Billings, at whose house Theatre last night are given as fol- he lodged, say that he frequentlows: The play was "Richard II," ly did strange and foolish things. near the finish of the last act, when They thought he was half crazy. Booth sat in the glare of a calcium He said that all of his relations light with all the other lights turned were actors, that he came of a down and was engaged in the solilo- star-actor family, and was going on quy. He sat a little to the right of the stage to do as his relatives had the centre of the stage, with the pris- done. Mrs. Bruin, a cousin who alon on one side and the cottage on the most raised him, says none of his other. Gray sat nearly on a level family were ever actors, but he has a with him, in the first balcony, and passion for the stage and is a great some thirty feet distant, with the pis- frequenter of theatres. His father tol concealed in his sleeve, in his lett died before he was born, but when hand holding a copy of the play, he came here last autumn from Keowhich he had evidently been follow- kuk he said "my father is not dead. ing, intending to fire only at the right I know he is alive, for I sat at the time. When the first shot rang out same table with him some days ago there was a dead silence. Booth did and he would not speak to me, damn not stir; but, as a second ball came him! But I will get even with him whizzing down and ploughed its way yet." hirs. Bruin thinks that he had through a piece of board in the cotan idea that Booth was his father, tage an inch in thickness, he quietly rose and went toward the wing. Gray snapped his pistol again and was cocking it for a fourth attempt half-sister of Gray. when the rush was made for him. As there seemed to be some doubt as to the man, Booth again stepped attempting to assassinate the trageout and pointed directly at him. All dian, but assumes a mysterious air this time there was a wild uproar in the house, and shouts of "Throw him over," "Hang him," "Pitch him out tions to become an actor. The theoof the window," and the like were ry is advanced that he believes himheard. He was, however, speedily self to be a blood relation of Booth, hustled off to the station and locked up. On his person was found the failure of Booth to recognize him. following incoherent letter, which Some of his words since his arrest clearly indicates his premeditated purpose:

Спісадо, 22d, 1879.

DEAR KATIE: -Forgive these brief his. but horrible lines. I left St. Louis Monday evening. The firm I was with would not increase my salary, so I made up my mind to return to Keokuk; but, being a lover of fine acting, I came to Chicago to see Booth. But I was sadly mistaken. It would take Booth one year of constant act- rently without any cause whatever, ing to compete with Lawrence Barrett's Richelieu, · To-night he plays Richard I. Katie, if I go to-night he will kill me or I him. In all hate and injure those whom they Sheakspere's works I find but one have, perchance, never even known, man to compete with Booth, and that those who are in no way likely to is lago. My judgment ought to foretell me that since I call Booth Iago he could no more play Richelieu than of life and thought-whose interests, the devil could be an angel. I don't hopes, desires and pleasures are all know what to do. Every line I write so far removed from those of the ma-I prance the flour as though I was levolents that one would think that a playing Hamlet. I am sorry I came here, for I think the hangman has a rope for me. Remember me to your be as sane. And yet in every man's mother and sister. Yours truly,

MARK GRAY. Gray says he belongs in Keokuk, but has been traveling for a St. Louis dry goods house; that about three years ago Booth wronged a friend of conscious of the first prompting his (whether lady or gentleman he does not state), and that becoming cognizant of the wrong about two and a half years ago, he determined to avenge it. He has only met Booth once since that time, and that was on the streets of St. Louis, when he was not prepared. Gray says that he has accomplices back of him, and that Booth will yet suffer. He came here for the express purpose of killing Booth. Mr. Booth was not aware that he had been fired at, and went behind the scene to quiet his wife, who feared he had been injured. Gray was brought before Justice Summerfield this morning on a charge of attempting to kill and rules; as the reflective faculties open, pleaded guilty. The magistrate remarked that it was lucky the charge was not murder, whereupon Gray returned, "I wish it was." Bail was at first fixed at \$10,000, but as Mr. Booth represented that he had been told Gray had expressed a determination to kill him when he was free again, it was made \$20,000. The penalty for the crime is from one to

fourteen years in the Penitentiary. It has been ascertained that Gray attempted suicide about three years ago in St. Louis. At that time he was very dissipated, but has since reformed. He bought his revolver yesterday with the express purpose for which it was used. It is said he is stage struck and intended to go on sure as preaching, de rats had eat a the stage next fall.

St. Louis, Mo., April 24.-Gray de pork all out." was a clerk in the dry goods house of Scruggs, Vandervoort & Barney de hole?" until four days ago, and left because he could not obtain an increase of salary. Mr. Barney says Gray was a good salesman, and knows of nothing which would lead him to commit "No troops." The country will sussuch an act. The clerks in the store tain the Democrats.

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speak of him as a quiet, reserved

The prisoner, Mark Gray, remains

non-committal as to his reason for

Personal Hatred.

has seemed to us at times so unac-

batred. A subtle antipathy, appa-

this strange and it would seem un-

provoke the same.

Ralph Waldo Emerson, in an ad-

mirable essay on "Perpetual Forces,"

otherwise seems so inexplicable.

This terrible proclivity of the evil-

minded of the earth is entirely a

thing of temperament. He says:

mal as gravity governs the stone;

this subsides." - Columbia Register.

Dat's De Mystery.

"Ah, Julius, what was dat?"

"Ah, Sam, dat's de mystery.".

Troops or no troops at the polls

that is the question. The President says "Troops." The Democrats say

when Julius said:

mystery to me.'

says "Troops."

There is nothing in the world that

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IS PREPARED TO DO ALL KINDS OF

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MIDDLEPEN ITEMS.

young man who made few acquain-CONDITION OF THE CROPS -FINE FISHING tances, was somewhat infatuated with MAD DOGS, ETC. the stage, and frequently said he in-Editor Orangeburg Democrat:

No doubt you have thought ere long ago that the pike has been the unfortunate victim of some monster fish, or else he has been coasting on the banks of the Middlepen waiting for Mr. Farmer to cast out his flabbyskin for the pike's untimely meal. But, sir, he has been otherwise engaged, his time has been spent in exploring the stream that leads to prosperity, (Quisque sue fortunce faber.) (Mr. Editor, I don't propose writing on any general topic this time, but merely to give you the news in general from this quarter, in other words Middlepen Items.

Cotton crops in this section are

very backward and farmers complain-

ing of bad stands. Some places they

haven't a third of a stand; a great

many ploughing up and and planting

over; corn crop looking very fine for the season. Just here allow me to state that our enterprising and and that he is not responsible for energetic farmer, Mr. E. W. Brantley, some of his acts. The Katie to whom has made quite a discovery in the the letter found is addressed is a the way of corn. He is using a corn that he got from Dr. W. S. Barton, called the Tuscarora, which bears two shoots to each grain. He heartily recommends it to the public as being the best corn this country has ever and talks of his wrongs, of his reseen, both for its prolific qualities and grets at the failure and of his aspirasoundness of grain. (A trial of the same will convince any man.) Fish have been biting picely in the different streams, and especially in Mr. and that his wrong consists in the Smoak's mill-race. I went a few days since and in the course of two hours caught a hundred nice perch. give color to this theory, but he has (Who can beat this?) The race not affirmed it, and on the contrary seems to be inexhaustible. I suppose has said the actor was no relative of to make a low estimnte there has been at least a cart load taken out in the last week. (No one who has gone can say he returned with fisherman's luck.) Mr. Editor, I thought of you often when I was pulling those countable as this thing of personal nice fish; but don't think for a moment that my thoughts were like the Irishman's, how far you were off. Would have fished the DEMOCRAT natural disposition of some men to with pleasure but didn't have an opportunity of sending them. The fruit, I am sorry to say, has at last commenced falling; don't know of cross their path, and whose manner any one that will have any, except our friend Mr. Starwall. His ways or views for protecting the tree are worth imitating. But my idea for keeping the fruit is to apply to M hatred for the distant pleiades would Kirk Robinson and supply yourself with the glass jars, in years of abunlife is met some such wretch, instinct dance to preserve plenty for a wet with brutish hate, and who hisses the day. Mr. Editor, I suppose you have curses of Shimei, the Benjaminite, on heard so much of mad dogs that the the hapless victim of this urreasoning thing has become monotonous. One malevolence, even though he be unof the most amusing scenes happened on the Five chop road a few days ago. thought, intent or deed calculated to An aged negro woman, returning from Mr. H. Snell's plantation to the O'Cain place, was overtaken by one of these canines. Having heard of solves for us the difficulty which the danger of coming in contact with one of these dogs, under the inspiration of the moment she didn't know whether to pray or run. Thinking discretion the better part of valor, she "The animal instincts guide the anicommenced operations, the dogs naturally pursued. She ran for about a and in man that bias or direction of mile, not knowing where to go for his constitution is often as tyrannical protection, or not knowing when she as gravity. We eall it temperament, passed home as it was late in the and it seems to be the remains of afternoon, and not being able to diswolf, ape and rattlesnake in him. cern precisely what it was, she swore While the reason is yet dormant, this it was Pluto or some of his aids. One good thing it has done for this

the nocturnal ramblings of the de-Two darkeys bought a piece of cendants of Ham, Mr. Editor. I noticed in an issue of a past date pork, and Sam, having no place to an article on School Conventions. I put his intrusted the whole to Julius' keeping. Next morning they met, am glad to see that the citizens of Orangeburg, even at this late hour, "A most strange thing happened have put their shoulder to the mighty tween the two grand divisions of at my house last night, Sam. All a wheel of civilization. Other counties Ohio appears as strange as it would have gone into the noble work, and be if President Hayes should reach why not old Orangeburg follow the noble example set by her sister coun-"Well, Sam, dis mornin' I went ties. Are we to turn a deaf ear to down to de cellar to get a piece of pork for breakfast, and I put my hand down into the brine, and felt all around, but no pork dar-all gone governed or guided. I am of "Blue ed to have occurred; Late in the af- least fifty thousand members. -couldn't tell what went with it; so Jeans'" notion. The sooner organ- ternoon one of the jurymen placed I turned up de barrel, and Sam, as ized the better, as delays are danger- himself in the court house door, and wisdom of our system of one general an "outraged" individual "entered hole clear fru de barrel, and dragged for teachers alone, but for the en- yes, O, yes, gentlemen, the court are phans' Fund, and the efficiency of with wrath. We pointed to a Spen "Why didn't de brine run out ob ty, for the purpose of advancing the drunk, and the County Attorney are Order. No extra judicial measures relied shot-gun in another, and a pisessentials of life and crushing the in no better fix." evils of the future. There will never

cate the noble cause of civilization. Mr. Editor, no doubt you are worried long ago with the redundancacy of the same and for fear I am intruding on good nature I will close, MIDDLEPEN PIKE.

A Horrible Story.

Some employees of the Pittsburg, Titusville and Buffalo Ballroad related a strange and horrible story yesterday. It seems a man died last week at Triumph, a small place not far from Tidtoute. The body was kept three days, and at the expiration of that time was buried. Then some curious person remembered that a sister of the deceased had lain in a death-like trance for several days It was suggested that the man had been prematurely buried. The suspicion took so strong a hold upon the people that it was resolved to exhume the body, and the coffin was disinterred Saturday last, after having laid three days in the grave. The lid was wretched off, when a horrible eight greeted the eyes of the resurrectionists. Evidently the supposed corpse had revived, and the wretchad man fought desperately for his life. Imprints of his finger nails were visible on the lining of the cofiln, which in some places was torn into shreds. The coffin itself was stained and wrenched apart atithe jointings in the death ogonies of the miserable man who was buried alive. He had turned completely over, and was found lying upon his breast, his distorted countenance indicating the frightful sufferings he had undergone.-Pittsburg Dispatch, April 10.

A Good Word for Women. John Ledyard in his Siberian journal pays the following tribute to the women of all nations: I have observed among all nations that women, wherever they may be found, are the same kind, civil, obliging, humane to be gay and cheerful timorous and modest. They do not hesitate, like men, to perform a hospitable or generous action; not haughty, nor supercilious, but full of courtesy and tond of society; industrious, economical, ingenious; more liable in general to err than man, but in general more virtuous, and performing more good actions than can he. I never address myself in the language of decency and friendship to a woman, whether report. civilized or savage, without receiving decent or friendly answer. With man it has often been otherwise. In hospitable Denmark, through honest Sweden, frozen Lapland, rude and churlish Finland, unprincipled Russia and the widespread regions of been friendly to me, and, to add to this virtue, these actions have been performed in so free and kindly a manner that I drank the draught and ate the coarse morsel with a double relish."

What Next.

The Philadelphia Times says that part of Ohio known as the national government at Washington and the State of Ohio itself clashed a little bit, at Cleveland, on Monday. T. H. Casey, a love-sick soldier, deserted from the Jefferson barracks that he might go to see his girl in westorn New York. When arrested Casey claimed that he enlisted, and ought therhfore to get clear. A writ community, it has put a quietus to of habeas corpus was taken out, and the sheriff hastened to get his man. But a squad of soldiers, who didn't want the State to interfere, presented bayonets at the Sheriff. The latter called a posse to his aid, and the soldiers yielded. This friction be-

up and bite off his own nose. THE citizens of the back counties education-the main guide of life; in Kentucky are enterprising. In

In 1860, Grant was a Bourbon be any system in the free common or Democrat; in 1868 he was a halfprivate schools in this county until this noble purpose can be put in working order. Hearken ye men of to "see" Washington's two terms mind to the call of duty, and vindi- and go him one better.

KNIGHTS OF MANOR. THE ORDER IN A HEALTHY CONDITION AND GROWING RAPIDLY.

We direct attention of our readers to the interesting letter, published below, from the Supreme Dictator of the Knights of Honor of the United States. The Knights of Honor is an Order which soon or late must commend itself to all intelligent men who want an insurance on their lives. The Circular is dated at Boston, Mass., April 10, 1879, and reads as follows:

To all Subordinate Lodges, Knights of

Honor, Greeting ; It is with great satisfaction that the supreme officers submit the following statement relative to the Widows' and Orphan's Benefit Fund. It is well-known that a large number of deaths occurred in our ranks from vellow fever during the past year. Aside from this cause we suffered an quusually heavy death rate during the summer months. Up to July, 1878, our deaths had not numbered over twenty-one in any month.

In July the number of deaths was .. 30 In August, from yellow fever 33 In August, from other causes 21 In September, from yellow fever..110 In September, from other causes...30 In October, from yellow fever 42 In October, from other causes......38 In November, from yellow fever 8 In November, from other causes....24 Total from yellow fever, 193; total from other causes, 143; making the total deaths from all causes in the period of five months, \$36, and requiring the sum of \$670,000 to meet the calls upon the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, an amount greater than had been disbursed from this fund from the beginning of the Order, five years previous.

To meet this extraordinary dein March, Much trouble was experienced by the supreme officers in placing the deaths in consecutive order by reason of the impossibility, in

Since October 1, 1878, orders have phans' Benefit Fund for the following

\$76,000
60.000
100,000
90,000
140,000
154,000
59,000
.8679,000

The first death in the Order from yellow fever occurred August 12. and the order for the benefit of the same was drawn October 10. The last death from this cause took place November 20th, and the order for the same was signed March 21; orders upon all other deaths by yellow fever were issued between these

With a total loss more than double that of any other beneficiary society, we have paid in full every benefit caused by the epidemic, and proved to the world the ability of our organization to successfully meet the severest trial. This work has been done with hardly more than the usual number of suspensions, and though our growth was temporrarily ghecked by the extraordinary demand upon its resources, a rapid increase is now taking place all over the only lamp by which we are to be Leslie county the following is report- the country, and we now number at

These events have proved the has been carried on by letter.

ed voluntarily for the relief of the our family."

living, who were in want and suffer ng by reason of the epidemic.

Democrat.

In this record every Knight of Honor may take a just pride. It places us in the front rank as a great benevolent and business institution and secures a future of untold use fulness fer our beloved Order.

> Fraternally, in O. M. A. J. A. CUMMINGS.

Supreme Dictator.

To Be Shot.

Recently there arrived in Atlanta, under arrrest by order of a United States Lieutenant, a man named Coleman, from Knoxville, Tenn. In the year 1865 Coleman was a Feder-

The Jews.

until long after they had occurred. Moses, the wisest of law-givers, was tion. It was not want of sufficient evidence a Jew. Joshua, who commanded the of the death, but officers of lodges sun to stand still, and it did stand ting Stalacta, reviews the ballet in

and to society. Marshal Soult, one of Napoleon's ablest marshals, and who stood by him to the last at Wa terloo, was a Jew. Judah P. Benjamin, one of the ablest and most faithful of Confederate leaders, was a Jew. Senator Jonas, of Louisiana, is a Jew. The present Prime Minister of Great Britain is a Jew. But why enumerate farther? From the earlidayotion to principle?

WHEN the South begins to manufacture everything her people needs, the Blaines, the Garfields, and Conk lings, will see where the goose lived that laid the golden eggs, and how suicidal it was in trying to injure her. Just let politics alone and go to manufacturing the articles we now buy from the North, and it will not dent, for no one can save the Northern cities from bankruptcy, or prevent the South from presperity.

THE Arizona Enterprise says that ous. Let it not be an organization elevating his voice, cried out, "O, jurisdiction for the Widows' and Or- our sanctum the other day bursting lightened class of Orangeburg Coun- adjourned till mornin', the Judge are our laws for the government of the cer rifle in one corner, a double-barhave been necessary to meet the tol on our table, and stated that emergency, and all consultation re- blood was our game and for him to quired between the supreme officers sail in. Meckly, quietly and calmly he cooled down, smiled, and said he Aside from the payments of death was mistaken, and sitting down, kindbenefits about \$15,000 was contribut- ly asked after our health and that of DISGRACEFUL SCENE AT NIBLO'S.

THE DRUNKEN OCCUPANTS OF A PRIVATE
BOX INSULTING AN AUTRESS ON THE

Just as the curtain was rung up on

the second act of the spectacle of the Black Crook" at Niblo's Garden, ou Wednesday night, a party of four men entered the right hand lower private box. They were all in evening dress. They had been seen drinking in the saloon of the Metropolitan Hotel, and the behavior of three of them showed that they were influenced by liquor. One of them was noisier than the rest. With one of the Kiralfy brothers they passed through the private gallery that leads al soldier, stationed with his regi. from behind the boxes to the stage. ment at Knoxville. One night he The Lorellas were performing their and a comrade went to the house of gymnastic dance and the space an old man, whom they supposed around the scenes was thronged with possessed a large sum of money, ballet girls and actors and actresses. They began beating and threatening Three of the visitors passed down the old gentleman, in order to force the stage and back without misbehahim to show the hiding place of his vior, but the fourth, a young man treasure. His daughter, a bright and with light mustache, who had been heroic girl, rushed to her father's as- the noisiest before, spoke insultingly sistance, when Coleman shot and to one of the performers and exhibitkilled her. He was arrested, tried ed himself before the audience. He and sentenced to be shot by the mili. put his arm around the waist of one tary authorities. Before the day of of the Ulm sisters, the Tyrolese sings execution rolled around Coleman ers. He was about to kiss her, but made his escape and left for parts she freed berself and ran from him. unknown. He was gone some six He offered a similar insult to another or seven years, and finally he return. of the Ulm sisters when he and his ed to Tennessee, supposing all dan- friends were shown off the stage by ger had passed with the military. Mr. Kirglfy. In the excitement that But he was arrested by the civil au- followed, the fact was disclosed that thorities, tried, convicted and sen- one of the visitors was ex-county tenced to be hanged for the same of clerk Charles E. Loew. He was sofence. Now the military authorities ber. In the box to which the party claim him for execution, and the returned the other three were very Tennessee authorities have given disorderly and noisy. The box is the him up. Whether he will be execut- one on the right hand side, opposite ed on the orginal finding sentence of that held by the heirs of the late Mr. the military courts is not known. It A. T. Stewart. It looks out on the is more than probable that, should stage, and is itself behind the line of be held guilty without further trial, the footlights. Throughout the permand two assessments were laid in the President will commute his ser- formance the most disorderly of these November, two in December, three tence to imprisonment for life. The men sought by word and action to tender beings; that they are inclined January, three in February and two crime was committed over fourteen attract or to annoy the women performers who were obliged to stand or pass near the box. The attention of the audience was distracted from A Jew! what is there in that name the performance. They were speciallodges disorganized by the yellow that can be a reproach to any man, ly demonstrative toward Miss Marion. fever, of making reports of deaths woman or child now living on earth? Fiske, but she paid them no atten-

Miss Belle Howitt, in impersonawere dead or scattered, and no one still at the storming of Jericha, was the Amazon scene, and the stage is was authorized to make the official a Jew. David, "a man after God's thronged with women. The men own heart," was a Jew, Solomon, in the box were most disorderly duthe wisest of men, whose fame is ring this scene. Their gesticulations cheerfully, and orders on the benefit greater to-day than when he built and foul language were as plainlyfund have now been issued upon all the temple, was a Jew. The prophet understood in front as behind the wandering over barren plains of in- deaths up to January 24, 1879, and Elijah, who was not allowed to die, footlights. Miss Howitt, with flashthe assessment now in process of col- but was translated to heaven in a ing eyes, strode to the wings and lection will pay all deaths to March chariot of fire, was a Jew. All the called to the stage manager, Mr. prophets were Jews; all the apostles Hammond, for relief from the annoywere Jews; Jesus Christ himself was ance. Then she walked in front of wandering Tartary, woman has ever been issued on the Widows' and Or- a Jew! His mother was a Jewess. the box, and endeavored by her de-In evary age and country the Jews meanor to silence the disturbers. have done their whole duty to the She imagined that they suspected she country in which they have resided had notified the managers, and were angry, for one of them assaulted her with the most obscene language, spoken so loudly that many persons in the front rows of seats sprang to their feet and called out "Shame!" and "Put them out!" When Mr. Mulford, the manager, entered their box, the same individual offered to thrash him. Ex-county clerk Loew, who had remained quiet throughout all est dawn of history to the present that has been described, assisted Mr. time, the Jews have furnished their Mulford in restoring order, and with full thare of brave and honorable his three companions left the box, men, and of pure and beautiful wo- and soon afterward the theatre, The men. Who has surpassed them in utmost endeavors are being made to public spirit, in works of charity, and discover the names of the others of the party .- New York Sun.

Who are Gentry.

The other evening, at a dinner party up town, one of the guests, the younger brother of an English nobleman, expressed with commendable freedom his opinion of America and its people. "I do not altogether like the country," said the young gentleman, "for one reason-because you make much difference who is Presi- have no gentry here." "What do you mean by gentry?" asked another of the company. "Well, you know," replied the Englishman, "well-oh, gentry, are those who never do any work themselves and whose fathers before them never did any." "Ah !" exclaimed his interlocuter, "then we have plenty of gentry in America, but we don't call them gentry; we call them tramps." A laugh went round the table, and the young Englishman turned the conversation into another channel .- Graphic.

> A stationary engine is a common sight, but did you ever see a rolling mill or a walking beam?.